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Ropp Named Director for Center for Educational Performance and Information

LANSING – State Budget Director Mary A. Lannoye recently named Margaret Ropp the new Director of the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI), which is responsible for collecting and reporting data about Michigan’s K-12 public schools. Ropp replaces Andrew Henry, who took a position with Learning Point Associates.

CEPI is a service organization that consolidates and facilitates the collection of educational data, serving the state’s schools and intermediate school districts, as well as providing information about schools based on that data to parents, educators, researchers, legislators and other state of Michigan agencies.

“We are extremely privileged to have someone of Meg’s talent and experience take the reigns of an agency that collects critical education data for the state of Michigan,” said State Budget Director Mary Lannoye. “Meg will competently carry out CEPI’s mission of providing information about Michigan’s schools to parents, legislators, educators and researchers in a useful manner.”

Dr. Ropp has been the Data Development and Support Manager for CEPI since January of 2003 and has been serving as Acting Director of CEPI since June of this year. Prior to her employment with CEPI, she was the Director of Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development at the Michigan Virtual University (MVU) and worked on the Michigan Virtual High School project. At MVU, Dr. Ropp also worked as the Director of Research and Evaluation for LEADing the Future, Michigan’s Gates Foundation administrator leadership project.

Dr. Ropp earned her bachelors degree in Studio Art and taught K-12 art at Louisville Public Schools before earning a Master’s Degree in Museum Studies from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. After earning her Ph.D. in Educational Psychology with a Specialization in Cognition and Technology at Michigan State University, she was an Assistant Professor of Educational Technology at the University of New Mexico before returning to Michigan in 2000.

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